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East German Jet Airliner "152" Finally to be Tested: It is generally believed among personnel at the Dresden-Klotzsche plant where the "152" is assembled that the initial test flight for East Germany's jet/airliner will occur as scheduled on 15 August. The second "152", slightly modified, was being completed around mid-June, and components for three more aircraft of the modified type were being produced at the Dresden plant, which had already received the first specifications for components of the "153". (S/NOFORN/CONF CONTROL, 25X1A2g 25X1X7 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] 23 July 58).

Comment: The initial test flight of the "152", once sched<sup>uled</sup> for 1 May and later resched<sup>uled</sup> for mid-August, can be expected this month. It now appears that the "152", an uneconomic jet transport will become obsolete almost as soon as it goes into serial production, since the "153", an efficient turboprop transport, already is under construction at Dresden-Klotzsche. It is possible the Il-14 will continue in production until displaced by the "153" in 1960.

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